

EGG HARBOR TOWNSHIP BOARD OF EDUCATION
Office of the Board Secretary
13 Swift Drive
Egg Harbor Township, New Jersey 08234

MINUTES

July 25, 2017
REGULAR MEETING

President Della Barca called the regular meeting of the Egg Harbor Township Board of Education to order at 6:07 PM on July 25, 2017 at the Alder Avenue Middle School Board Room.

At the President's request, Mrs. Anaya, Business Administrator, read the following statement: "On Wednesday, January 4, 2017, notice of this meeting was mailed to "The Press" and "The Current of Egg Harbor Township." Notice was also delivered that day to the Egg Harbor Township Clerk and posted on the bulletin board in Township Hall."

- 1- On a **motion** by Mr. Riggs and seconded by Mrs. Szilagyi the Board voted to go into Executive Session. The Roll Call vote was unanimous.

RESOLVED, that the Egg Harbor Township Board of Education shall meet in executive session on July 25, 2017 immediately, for the purpose of discussing: personnel, litigation and/or attorney-client privilege.

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the discussion of such subject matter in executive session will be disclosed to the public when the matter has been settled, unless such is otherwise prohibited by law. The items to be discussed are: personnel, litigation and/or attorney-client privilege.

The Board went into Executive Session at 6:07 PM.

- 2- On a **motion** by Mrs. Sullivan and seconded by Mrs. Szilagyi the Board voted to reconvene the open portion of the meeting. The Roll Call vote was unanimous.

The Board reconvened at 7:02 PM.

Roll Call: Mr. Pete Castellano, Mr. Ray Ellis, Mr. Jack Haines, Mr. Justin Riggs, Mrs. Marita Sullivan, Mrs. Barbara Szilagyi, Mr. Lou Della Barca

Absent: Mr. Chris Moran and Mrs. Amber Umphlett

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Also Present: Dr. Kim Gruccio/Assistant Superintendent; Mrs. Chandra Anaya/School Business Administrator/Board Secretary; Dr. Carolyn Gibson/Director of Human Resources; Mrs. Amy Houck-Elco/Board Attorney; Mrs. Jamie Shoemaker/Supervisor of Accounting

Mr. Della Barca led the flag salute.

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SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Dr. Gruccio congratulated the Fernwood Avenue Middle School and the High School for exiting the NJDOE RAC status.

Mrs. Anaya gave a presentation and scenarios for the additional State Aid funding the school district received.

The Board had a lengthy discussion on the budget, additional State aid funding, tax relief and fund balance.

QUESTIONS/COMMENTS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC FOR AGENDA ITEMS

Carl Mason, 3057 Fernwood Avenue – discussed staff pay increases, the Mayor's recommendation and spending in the district.

Arthur Richman, 330 Sunflower Drive – congratulated Dr. Gruccio, complimented the new school website and discussed tax relief.

Barbara Maples, 26 Sturbridge Court – discussed Insight Workforce addendum on the agenda this evening.

Shae Dailyda, 55 Marshall Drive – discussed Insight Workforce.

Paul Hodson, 152 Asbury Avenue – discussed tax relief.

Frank Finnerty, 318 Dogwood Avenue – congratulated Dr. Gruccio and Mr. Della Barca and discussed tax relief.

Mr. Ellis left the dais at 8:05 PM and returned at 8:06 PM.

Finance/Operations – 100

1. Transfers for Ratification 2016/2017
2. Transfers for Ratification 2017/2018

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3. Bills for Payment
 4. Approve Purchases (per Board Policy 6421)
 5. Accept Gifts, Grants and Donations (per Board Policy 7230)
 6. Approve Out of District Travel
 7. Approve Travel and Related Expense Reimbursement
 8. Approve Board Report of Receipts and Expenditures for May 2017
 9. Approve Financial Report of the Board Secretary for May 2017
 10. Approve Disposal of District Equipment – High School
 11. Approve Disposal of District Equipment –Transportation Department
 12. Approve Tuition Contract with Atlantic County Vocational School District for Atlantic County Vocational Academy Program for 2017/2018
 13. Approve 2017/2018 Tuition Contract – Atlantic Alternative High School
 14. Approve Substitute Staffing Contract – Insight Workforce Solutions (Addendum)
 15. Approve FY2018 IDEA Federal Grant Application Submission 2017/2018
 16. Approve 2016/2017 Joint Transportation Agreement with Greater Egg Harbor Regional High School District – Oakcrest High School
 17. Approve Out of District Tuition Contract(s) for the 2016/2017 School Year – Special Education
 18. Approve Out of District Tuition Contract(s) for the 2017/2018 School Year – Special Education
 19. Approve Professional Consultants Agreements for the 017/2018 School Year
- 3- On a **motion** by Mrs. Szilagyi and seconded by Mr. Castellano the Board voted to approve FINANCE ITEMS #101

Discussion:

None.

Roll Call:

Yes: Mr. Castellano, Mr. Ellis, Mr. Haines, Mr. Riggs, Mrs. Sullivan, Mrs. Szilagyi, Mr. Della Barca

Absent: Mr. Moran and Mrs. Umphlett

- 4- On a **motion** by Mrs. Sullivan and seconded by Mrs. Szilagyi the Board voted to approve FINANCE ITEMS #102

Discussion:

None.

Roll Call:

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Yes: Mr. Castellano, Mr. Ellis, Mr. Haines, Mr. Riggs, Mrs. Sullivan, Mrs. Szilagyi, Mr. Della Barca

Absent: Mr. Moran and Mrs. Umphlett

5- On a **motion** by Mrs. Szilagyi and seconded by Mr. Castellano the Board voted to approve FINANCE ITEM #103 through #119

Discussion:

None.

Roll Call:

Yes: Mr. Castellano, Mr. Ellis, Mr. Haines (except #114 and bills list #103 vendor #2774), Mr. Riggs (except #114 and #116), Mrs. Sullivan, Mrs. Szilagyi, Mr. Della Barca

No: Mr. Haines (#114) and Mr. Riggs (#114 and #116)

Abstain: Mr. Haines (bills list #103 vendor #2774)

Absent: Mr. Moran and Mrs. Umphlett

Curriculum – 200

1. Approve the New Jersey K-3 Continuous Improvement Research and Professional Learning

6- On a **motion** by Mrs. Sullivan and seconded by Mr. Castellano, the Board voted to approve CURRICULUM ITEM #201

Discussion:

None.

Roll Call:

Yes: Mr. Castellano, Mr. Ellis, Mr. Haines, Mr. Riggs, Mrs. Sullivan, Mrs. Szilagyi, Mr. Della Barca

Absent: Mr. Moran and Mrs. Umphlett

Personnel – 300

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1. Resignation(s)/Retirement(s)
 2. Termination(s)
 3. Transfer(s)
 4. Appointment(s)
 5. Leave(s) of Absence
 6. Adjustment(s)
 7. Elimination/ Creation of Position(s)
- 7- On a **motion** by Mrs. Szilagyi and seconded by Mr. Castellano, the Board voted to approve PERSONNEL ITEMS #301 through #307

Discussion:

Item #304.A.2 is on hold.

Item #304.A.3, Mr. Stephen Santilli, \$135,000.

Item #307.B.2.b should be six paraprofessionals.

Roll Call:

Yes: Mr. Castellano, Mr. Ellis, Mr. Haines (except #304.A.3), Mr. Riggs, Mrs. Sullivan (except #304.A.3 and #307.B.2), Mrs. Szilagyi, Mr. Della Barca

Abstain: Mr. Haines (#304.A.3) and Mrs. Sullivan (#304.A.3 and #307.B.2)

Absent: Mr. Moran and Mrs. Umphlett

Policy – 400

1. ~~Policy and Regulation 1240 Evaluation of Superintendent, Revise, Single Reading~~
2. Policy 3126 District Mentoring Program, Revise, Single Reading
3. Policy and Regulation 3221 Evaluation of Teachers, Revise, Single Reading
4. Policy and Regulation 3222 Evaluation of Teaching Staff Members, Excluding Teachers and Administrators, Revised, Single Reading
5. ~~Policy and Regulation 3223 Evaluation of Administrators, Excluding Principals, Vice Principals, and Assistant Principals, Revised, Single Reading~~
6. ~~Policy and Regulation 3224 Evaluation of Principals, Vice Principals, and Assistant Principals, Revised, Single Reading~~
7. Policy 3240 Professional Development for Teachers and School Leaders, Revise, Single Reading
8. Policy and Regulation 5620 Suspension, Revised, Single Reading
9. Policy 5620 Expulsion, Revised, Single Reading

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10. Policy 8505 Local Wellness Policy/Nutrient Standards for Meals and Other Foods, Replacement, Two Readings
11. Policy 8550 Unpaid Meal Charges/Outstanding Food Service Charges, New, Two Readings

- 8- On a **motion** by Mr. Riggs and seconded by Mrs. Szilagyi, the Board voted to approve POLICY ITEMS #402 through #404 and #407 through #411.

Discussion:

Mrs. Szilagyi asked that items #405 and #406 be put on hold due to wording and item #401 for language revision.

Roll Call:

Yes: Mr. Castellano, Mr. Ellis, Mr. Haines, Mr. Riggs, Mrs. Sullivan, Mrs. Szilagyi, Mr. Della Barca

Absent: Mr. Moran and Mrs. Umphlett

OLD BUSINESS

- 9- On a **motion** by Mr. Haines and seconded by Mr. Castellano, the Board voted to Affirm HIB Determination Report(s) as discussed in Executive Session: JDM11-1617, F06-1617 and HS 13-1617

Discussion:

None.

Roll Call:

Yes: Mr. Castellano, Mr. Haines, Mrs. Sullivan, Mrs. Szilagyi, Mr. Della Barca

No: Mr. Ellis and Mr. Riggs

Absent: Mr. Moran and Mrs. Umphlett

NEW BUSINESS

- 10- On a **motion** by Mr. Castellano and seconded by Mr. Haines, the Board voted to Reduce the Tax Levy by 1 cent or \$407,196

Discussion:

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None.

Roll Call:

Yes: Mr. Castellano, Mr. Haines, Mr. Riggs, Mrs. Sullivan

No: Mr. Ellis, Mrs. Szilagyi and Mr. Della Barca

Absent: Mr. Moran and Mrs. Umphlett

The motion failed.

11- On a **motion** by Mr. Ellis and seconded by Mrs. Szilagyi, the Board voted to Reduce the Tax Levy by \$1,453,491

Discussion:

None.

Roll Call:

Yes: Mr. Ellis, Mr. Riggs, Mrs. Szilagyi and Mr. Della Barca

No: Mr. Castellano, Mr. Haines, Mrs. Sullivan

Absent: Mr. Moran and Mrs. Umphlett

The motion failed.

12- On a **motion** by Mrs. Szilagyi and seconded by Mr. Riggs, the Board voted to Reduce the Tax Levy by 3 Cents

Discussion:

Mrs. Sullivan and Mrs. Anaya discussed the 3 cent impact on the tax levy.

Mr. Castellano discussed half or \$726,746 go towards reducing the tax levy for 2017/2018 and 2018/2019.

Mrs. Szilagyi amended her motion and Mr. Riggs amended his second to reduce the tax levy by half of the additional state aid or \$726,746.

13- On a **motion** by Mrs. Szilagyi and seconded by Mr. Riggs, the Board voted to Reduce the Tax Levy by \$726,745

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Roll Call:

Yes: Mr. Castellano, Mr. Ellis, Mr. Haines, Mr. Riggs, Mrs. Sullivan, Mrs. Szilagyi, Mr. Della Barca

Absent: Mr. Moran and Mrs. Umphlett

14- On a **motion** by Mrs. Szilagyi and seconded by Mr. Castellano, the Board voted to Move \$726,746 to Fund Balance

Discussion:

None.

Roll Call:

Yes: Mr. Castellano, Mr. Ellis, Mr. Haines, Mr. Riggs, Mrs. Sullivan, Mrs. Szilagyi, Mr. Della Barca

Absent: Mr. Moran and Mrs. Umphlett

QUESTIONS/COMMENTS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC, BOARD, STAFF

Eileen Wood, 21 Somers Avenue – discussed the assistant superintendent vacancy.

Emily McGrath, 410 Aurora Drive – discussed the transgender policy.

Carl Mason, 3057 Fernwood Avenue – discussed district spending and assistant principals Positions and foam trays.

Robert Boyer, 112 Vineland Dive – discussed a soccer event.

Barbara Maples, 26 Sturbridge – thanked Mrs. Anaya for her presentation and asked for clarification of tax relief and fund balance resolutions.

Tim Andrews from GLISTEN – discussed the transgender policy.

15- On a **motion** by Mrs. Szilagyi seconded by Mr. Riggs, the Board voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:41 PM.

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Respectfully Submitted,

Chandra D. Anaya, CPA
School Business Administrator/Board Secretary